

Public Workshop May 7, 2016

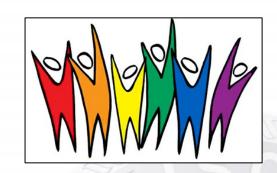
## Vision: Providing Travel Choices

#### Mobility for all Modes:

Provide for the safe movement of people and goods within and through the City via a transportation network that connects to the regional transportation network, offers choices in travel modes, supports economic activity, is sensitive to the environment, and provides equitable access for all City residents, workers, and visitors.

## Why Support Biking?

- Public health Physical activity
- Environment Reduction in energy usage and vehicle emissions
- Economic Reduction in transportation costs
- Equity Means of transportation for those who don't drive







# What's the Potential for Biking?

- Bicycle commuting is on the rise
  - Bicycle trips to work as a mode share doubled between 2000 and 2012 in the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area (0.3% to 0.6%)
- Many trips are a bike-able distance
  - 17% of all commute trips in the
     Washington region are less than five miles

## Vision: Making Connections

### Bicycle Master Plan:

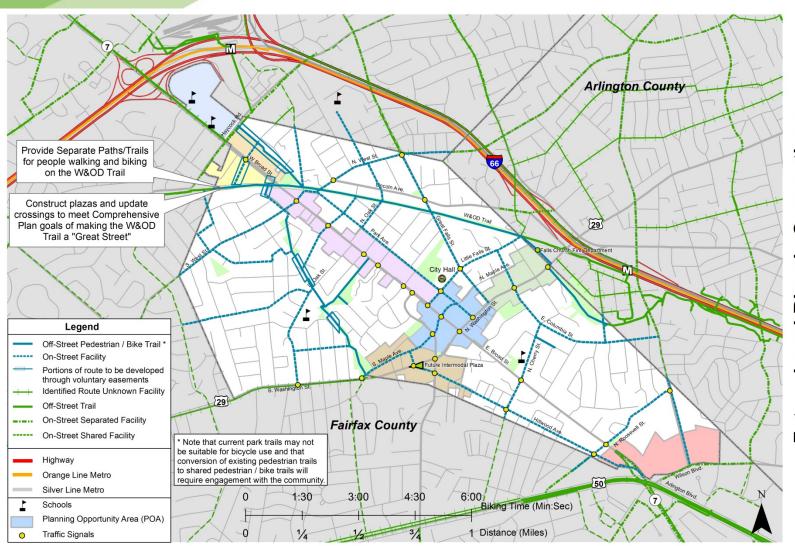
Provide a network of bicycle routes that connects the City's commercial areas and neighborhoods, transit facilities, schools, regional bicycle facilities, and designated bicycle routes in neighboring jurisdictions







### **Future Bike Routes**



Future Local Bicycle Connections

# Implementing Routes Engaging the Community



#### Dedicated Funds or Opportunity-Driven

- Other Projects
- Grant Funding



#### **City Staff**

- Evaluate Conditions
- Develop Options



#### **Public Workshop**

- Present Data and Options
- Review/Update Options



#### **City Manager**

Select Roadway Configuration



## Why Now, Spring 2016?

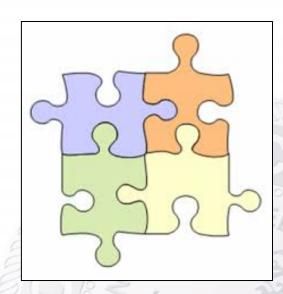
- On July 13, 2015, City Council adopted the Bicycle Master Plan.
  - \$25,000 in Fiscal Year 2016 funds for implementation.
- Funding sufficient for three routes

## **Selecting Routes**

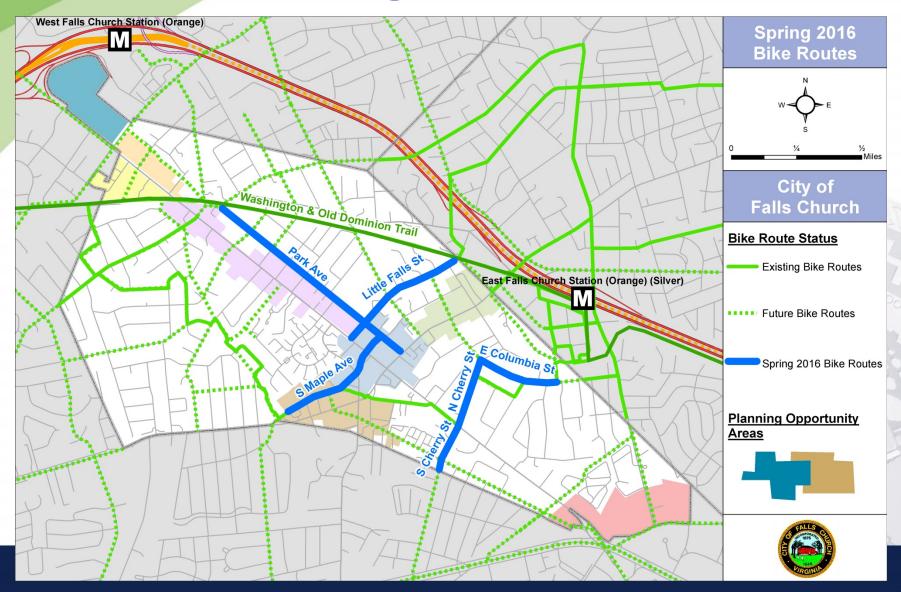
- Refresh existing routes
- Align routes with the adopted plan
- Coordinate with neighboring jurisdictions

## **Applying the Methodology**

- Refresh Existing
  - Park Ave
- Align with Master Plan
  - Little Falls & Maple
- Coordinate with neighboring jurisdictions
  - Cherry Street
  - Coordinate with Fairfax County and Arlington County on access to East Falls Church Metro



## **Mapping the Routes**



### **How Does Staff Brainstorm?**

- Assess existing conditions
  - Street width
  - Parking utilization
- Test fit different facilities



## **Bicycle Facilities**

- Conventional bike lane
- Buffered bike lane
- Bike boxes
- Sharrows
- Wayfinding and signage



## **Shared Lane Markings** "Sharrows"

- Alert people driving to expected bicycle traffic
- Guide people biking to the safest place to travel
  - Easily visible
  - Outside "door zone"



### **Conventional Bike Lane**

- Physically separates bike travel
- 5 to 6 feet wide



### **Buffered Bike Lane**

- Provide space between different modes
- Buffer 2-3 feet wide



### **Bike Boxes**

- Positions people biking at the front of the queue
- Safety increases visibility and decreases crashes
- Public health reduces exhaust inhalation



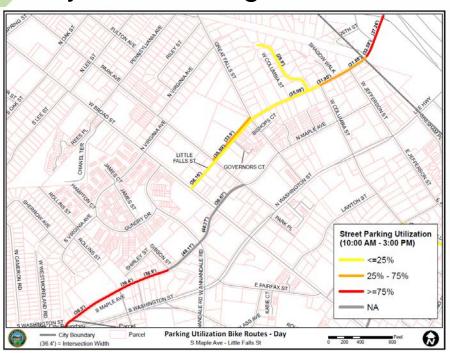
## **Wayfinding and Signage**

- Guide people to destinations
- Types of signs
  - Route
  - Decision
  - Confirmation

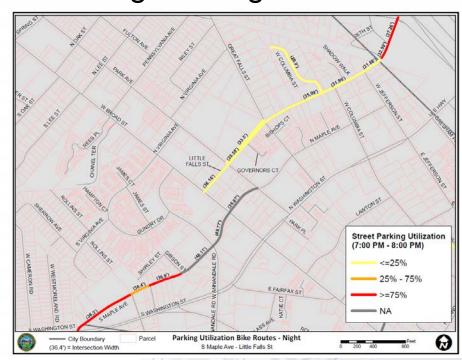


# **Existing Conditions**Little Falls & Maple Route

#### Daytime Parking Utilization

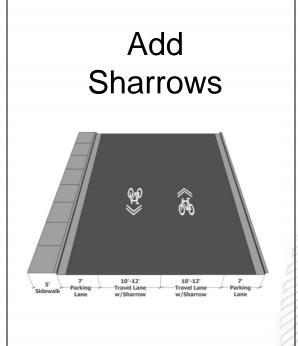


#### **Evening Parking Utilization**



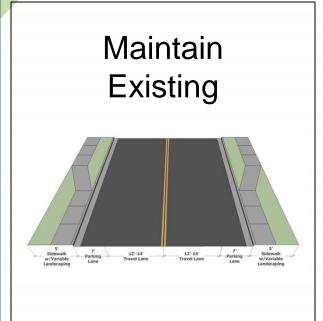
# Little Falls St between W&OD Trail and Great Falls St

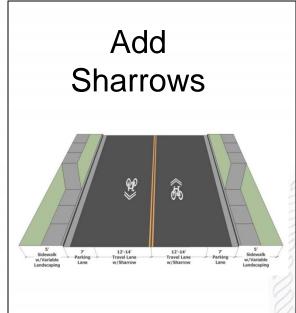






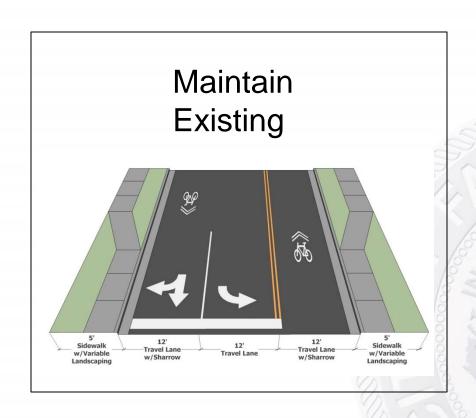
# Little Falls St between Great Falls St and W Broad St



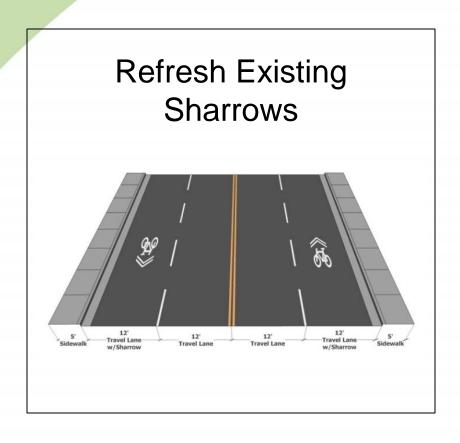




# N Maple Ave between Park and W Broad St



# St and Annandale Rd



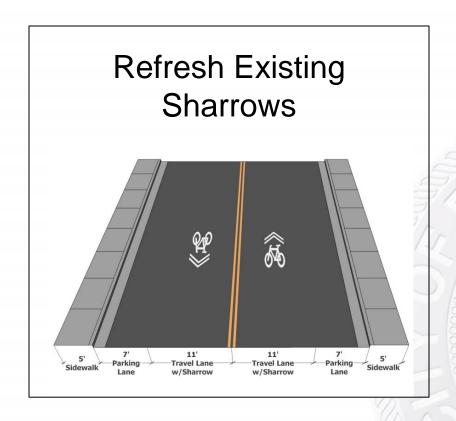


# S Maple Ave between Annandale Rd and Gibson St



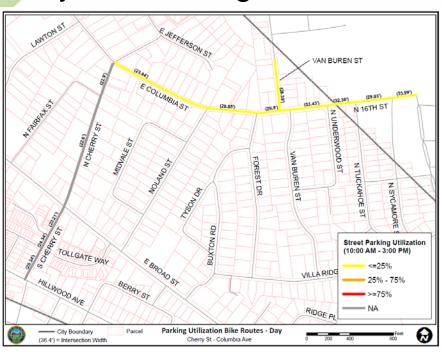


# S Maple Ave between Gibson St and Cavalier Trail

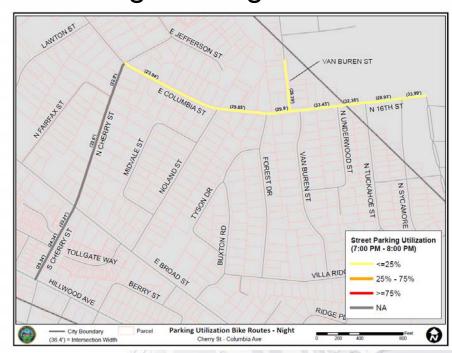


# **Existing Conditions**Cherry St Route

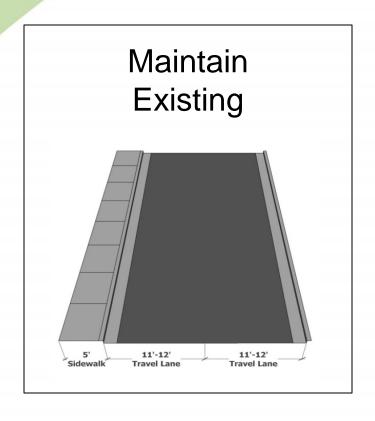
#### Daytime Parking Utilization

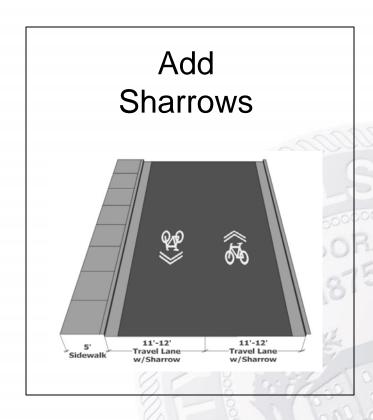


#### **Evening Parking Utilization**

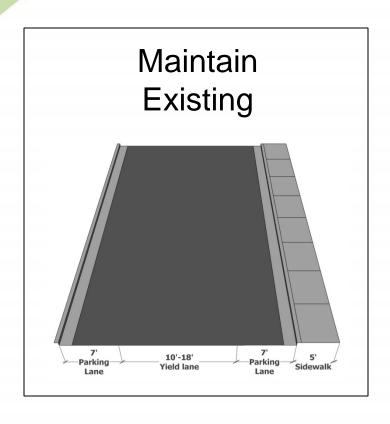


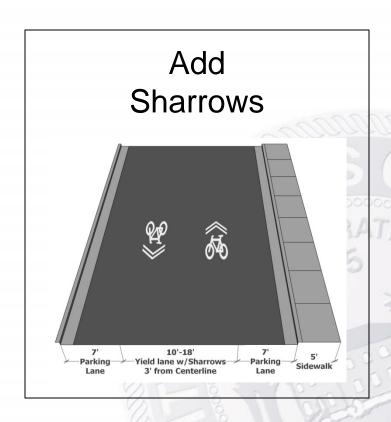
## **Cherry Street**





# E Columbia St between N Van Buren St and N Cherry St





## **Wayfinding Signs**

Route signs



Decision signs



Confirmation signs



### **Destinations**

- Transportation Links
  - W&OD Trail
  - East Falls Church Metro
  - West Falls Church Metro
- Economic Links
  - Restaurants/Shops
  - Bike Shops
- City Landmarks
  - City Hall Campus
  - Tinner Hill
  - Public Library
  - Parks

- Places
  - Arlington County
  - Annandale
  - Eden Center
  - Seven Corners



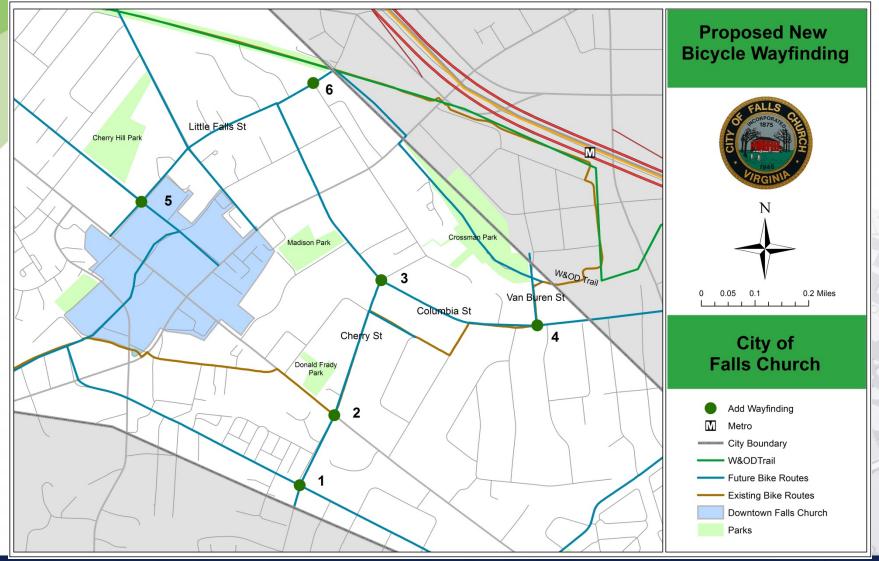
### **Questions and Discussion**



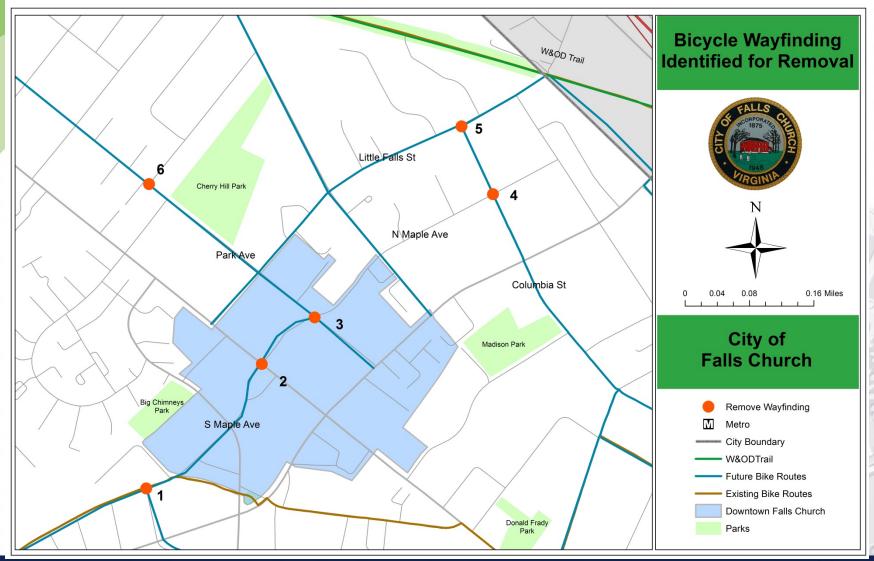
## **Backup Materials**



### **New Bicycle Wayfinding Options**



### **Bicycle Wayfinding for Removal**



### **Proposed New Bicycle Wayfinding**

Location	Direction	Destination 1	Destination 2	Destination 3
	Cherry St, E Columbia St, N Van Buren St			
#1 S Cherry St & Hillwood Ave	Northbound Approach	Tinner Hill <i>Left 0.6</i>	W&OD Trail Forward 0.8	East Falls Church Metro Forward 1.2
	Southbound Approach	Annandale Forward 0.1	Tinner Hill Right 0.6	Eden Center Left 0.8
#2 Cherry St & E Broad St	Northbound Approach	Restaurants/Shops Left 0.3	W&OD Trail Forward 0.7	East Falls Church Metro Forward 1.0
	Southbound Approach	Donald Frady Park Right 0.1	Annandale Forward 0.2	Restaurants/Shops Right 0.3
#3 N Cherry St & E Columbia St	Eastbound Approach	W&OD Trail Forward 0.3	East Falls Church Metro Forward 0.8	
	Northbound Approach	W&OD Trail Right 0.3	East Falls Church Metro Right 0.8	
	Westbound Approach	Madison Park Forward 0.1	Annandale Left 0.5	Restaurants/Shops Forward 0.3
#4 E Columbia St & N Van Buren St	Eastbound Approach	W&OD Trail <i>Left 0.1</i>	East Falls Church Metro  Left 0.5	
	Southbound Approach	Madison Park Right 0.4	Annandale Right 0.8	Restaurants/Shops Right 0.9
	Little Falls St			
#5 Little Falls St & Park Ave	Northbound Approach	City Hall Campus Forward 0.1	Cherry Hill Park Left 0.1	W&OD Trail Forward 0.5
	Southbound Approach	Cherry Hill Park Right 0.1	Public Library Right 0.1	Restaurants/Shops Forward 0.1
#6 Little Falls St & W Jefferson St	Southbound Approach	Bike Shop <i>Left 0.1</i>		

## **Bicycle Wayfinding Identified for Removal**

Location	Direction	Destination 1	Destination 2	Destination 3
	S Maple Ave			
#1 S Maple Ave &	Northbound	W&OD Trail		
Gibson St		Forward 0.8		
	N Maple Ave and Park Ave			
#2 Maple Ave & Broad	Northbound	W&OD Trail		
	Northbound	Forward 0.5		
St	Northbound	W&OD Trail		
	Northbound	Forward 0.5		
		State Theatre	City Hall Campus Right 0.1	Falls Church Art
	Southbound	Left 0.1		Space
#3 N Maple Ave & Park				Forward 0.4
Ave	Eastbound	W&OD Trail		
AVC		Left 0.5		
	Westbound	W&OD Trail		
		Right 0.5		
	N Maple Ave and W Columbia St			
	Northbound	W&OD Trail		
#4 N Maple Ave & W		Left 0.2		
Columbia St		Downtown Falls		
Columbia 3t	Eastbound	Church		
		Right 0.4		
	Little Falls St			
#5 Little Falls St & W	Southbound	Downtown Falls		
Columbia St		Church		
Columbia 3t		Left 0.5		
	Park Ave			
#6 Park Ave & N Virginia	Eastbound	W&OD Trail		
Ave	Eastnonin	Forward 0.7		

### **Park Ave**

